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TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT

HEALTH COMMITTEE

(Constitution at 31st December, 1970)

Chairman of Council
Councillor R.W. Barsley
Councillor G.S. Sturgeon

Councillor P.H. Toy
(Chairman)
(Vice-Chairman)

Councillor Mrs. O.M. Eames
Councillor H.J.L. Harris
Councillor Mrs. F.M. Henley
Councillor Mrs. M. Hewson

Councillor J.A. Hilton, J.P.
Councillor Brig.C.J.C. Sherman
* Councillor Mrs. E.S. Williams

- * Member, with Councillor W.G. Crush, on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

One other Member of the Council to act as Standing Deputy on the South West Kent Joint Health Committee

STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

R. G. BRENNEN, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., D.P.H.

DEPUTY MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

DOROTHY N. IRONSIDE, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

(Also Assistant County Medical Officer,
Kent County Council)

CLERICAL STAFF

TONBRIDGE OFFICE:

Mrs.D.E.Tebbit (Retired 31.8.70)
Mrs.E.M. Tibbles
Miss V. Marsden (Resigned 11.4.70)
Mrs.J.M. Oughton (Appointed 20.4.70)

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS

Chief Public Health Inspector:
W.J. Davies, (a and d)

Deputy Chief Public Health Inspector:
E.J. Griffiths (a and d)

Additional Public Health Inspector:
J.M. Lucas (b and d)

Meat Inspector:
P. Costema (i)

Public Health Inspectors' Clerk:
Miss S.A.Hunt

Rodent Operator:
R.A.Pomfret

- (a) Certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute and Sanitary Inspectors' Examination Joint Board
- (b) Certificate of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
- (c) Diploma of the Public Health Inspectors' Education Board
- (d) Meat and Other Foods Inspection Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (e) Smoke Inspectors' Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (f) Sanitary Science Certificate of the Royal Society of Health
- (g) Diploma, Royal Institute of Public Health and Hygiene
- (h) Diploma of Shops Acts Administration
- (i) Royal Society of Health Certificate in Meat Inspection

Mr.R.C. Spalding, M.A., F.R.I.C., acts as County Analyst for the District

TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT

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To the Chairman and Members of the Tonbridge Rural District Council

Mr.Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the District for 1970.

The estimated mid-year population of the District, given by the Registrar-General, was 29,460, an increase of 60 over the mid-1969 figure.

The total number of registered live births was 455 (236 males and 219 females), this figure being lower than last year's total of 548. The crude birth rate was 15.4 per 1,000 population, the corrected birth rate being 15.9 compared with 16.0 for England and Wales.

The number of deaths from all causes totalled 312 (153 males and 159 females). The crude death rate per 1,000 population was 10.6. The corrected death rate for the District was 9.0 compared with 11.7 for England and Wales.

Deaths of infants under one year of age numbered 9, giving an Infant Mortality Rate of 20.0. The rate for England and Wales was 18.0. The Neo-Natal death rate (the number of deaths of infants under four weeks) was 11.0.

There were 21 deaths from Cancer of the Lung and Bronchus (14 males and 7 females), compared with 18 last year.

The number of notifiable infectious diseases recorded in the District was 437, compared with 292 in 1969.

On page 16 of this Report, figures are given showing the number of persons immunised and vaccinated during the year under review.

My thanks are due to the County Medical Officer, and to the Regional Hospital Board, for details of their services embodied in the Report. It is also refreshing to add that, in the present complexities of an administration thought so ripe for change, I have had the ready co-operation of workers and colleagues in all branches of the health services, no less than from within the ranks of Local Government.

My thanks, in particular, are due to the staff of the health department and to Mr. Davies for his unfailing efficiency and loyalty.

I am, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

R. G. BRENNEN

Medical Officer of Health

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area: 41,687 acres

Population:

R.G.'s Estimate mid 1970	29,460
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1969	29,400
R.G.'s Estimate mid 1970 for England and Wales	48,987,700

Density of population: i.e. number
of persons per acre 0.6

Number of inhabited houses: 10,330

Rateable Value: £1,164,833

Sum produced by a penny rate: £4,625

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA
EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1970

			Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
LIVE BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	104	272	85	44	222	284	364	1,375
		Female	93	281	94	47	211	249	319	1,294
		Total	197	553	179	91	433	533	683	2,669
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	5	24	4	6	14	8	35	96
		Female	12	21	7	6	8	23	36	113
		Total	17	45	11	12	22	31	71	209
TOTAL LIVE BIRTHS			214	598	190	103	455	564	754	2,878
CRUDE BIRTH RATE PER 1,000 of mid year population 1970			13.1	13.1	10.5	10.6	15.4	19.2	16.5	14.8
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar-General			1.26	1.07	1.13	1.14	1.03	0.98	1.10	-
ADJUSTED BIRTH RATE			16.5	14.0	11.9	12.1	15.9	18.8	18.2	-
STILL BIRTHS	LEGITIMATE:	Male	3	3	-	-	2	2	4	14
		Female	2	7	1	1	3	3	1	18
		Total	5	10	1	1	5	5	5	32
	ILLEGITIMATE:	Male	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
		Female	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
		Total	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
TOTAL STILL BIRTHS			6	11	1	1	5	5	5	34
STILL BIRTHS RATE per 1,000 (live and still) births			27	18	5	10	11	9	7	11.7
TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS			220	609	191	104	460	569	759	2,912

		Cranbrook R.D.	Sevenoaks R.D.	Sevenoaks U.D.	Southborough U.D.	Tonbridge R.D.	Tonbridge U.D.	Tunbridge Wells Borough	Joint Health Area
INFANT DEATHS (under one year)	Male	4	10	1	-	7	3	9	34
	Female	4	6	-	2	2	5	3	22
	TOTAL	8	16	1	2	9	8	12	56
INFANT MORTALITY RATES:									
All infants per 1,000 live births		37	27	5	19	20	14	16	19.4
NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births		23	22	5	10	11	9	8	12.5
EARLY NEO-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live births		19	20	-	10	11	9	8	11.5
PERI-NATAL mortality rate per 1,000 live and still births		45	38	5	19	22	18	14	23.0
MATERNAL MORTALITY (including abortion)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
DEATHS	Male	78	220	75	52	153	164	298	1,040
	Female	121	226	127	68	159	158	447	1,306
	TOTAL	199	446	202	120	312	322	745	2,346
CRUDE DEATH RATE per 1,000 of mid year. population 1970		12.2	9.8	11.2	12.3	10.6	10.9	16.3	12.1
Comparability factor supplied by Registrar General		0.88	0.99	0.83	0.79	0.85	0.97	0.54	-
ADJUSTED DEATH RATE		10.7	9.7	9.3	9.7	9.0	10.6	8.8	-

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System	1	1	2
Late effects of Respiratory T.B.	1	-	1
Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal Diseases	1	1	2
Whooping Cough	-	1	1
Syphilis and its Sequelae	-	1	1
Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases	4	1	5
Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity Etc.,	5	6	11
Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	13	1	14
Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	24	22	46
Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	13	50	63
Malignant Neoplasm, Larynx	2	-	2
Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	80	32	112
Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	-	58	58
Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	-	11	11
Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	21	-	21
Leukaemia	5	2	7
Other Malignant Neoplasms, etc.,	56	71	127
Benign and Unspecified Neoplasms	3	3	6
Diabetes Mellitus	3	10	13
Other Endocrine, etc., Diseases	1	4	5
Anaemias	2	6	8
Mental Disorders	3	2	5
Multiple Sclerosis	-	3	3
Meningitis	1	-	1
Other Diseases of Nervous System, Etc.,	3	12	15
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	6	7	13
Hypertensive Disease	21	21	42
Ischaemic Heart Disease	292	256	548
Other Forms of Heart Disease	39	114	153
Cerebrovascular Disease	117	229	346

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(1)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-
-	-	2	1	1	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	1	2
2	-	4	-	1	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	3	-
2	1	4	1	1	2	1	1	4	2	5	2	7	13
2	6	2	4	-	8	2	-	3	10	2	5	2	17
-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
7	1	20	6	5	3	3	4	14	7	7	3	24	8
-	4	-	11	-	8	-	1	-	6	-	11	-	17
-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	4
-	-	4	-	4	-	3	-	2	-	5	-	3	-
1	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	1
4	4	10	16	7	11	3	6	7	6	11	12	14	16
-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	1
-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	2	1	3	2	2
-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2
1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-
-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
-	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	1	-	2	1	6
-	-	2	2	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	3	3
2	2	4	1	1	3	2	1	3	1	4	6	5	7
19	36	61	43	22	22	13	9	51	26	50	26	76	94
4	16	6	16	2	6	-	4	8	13	6	16	13	43
10	16	31	34	6	16	6	20	9	27	16	30	39	86

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

CAUSE OF DEATH	Joint Health Area		Total
	M	F	
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	38	85	123
Influenza	12	19	31
Pneumonia	91	130	221
Bronchitis and Emphysema.	67	22	89
Asthma	2	3	5
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	11	11	22
Peptic Ulcer	7	10	17
Appendicitis	1	-	1
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	7	7	14
Cirrhosis of Liver	2	2	4
Other Diseases of Digestive System	5	14	19
Nephritis and Nephrosis	3	4	7
Hyperplasia of Prostate	7	-	7
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	6	14	20
Diseases of Skin, Subcutaneous Tissue	-	1	1
Other complications of Pregnancy, etc.,	-	1	1
Diseases of Musculo-Skeletal System	1	5	6
Congenital Anomalies	7	8	15
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, Etc.,	11	6	17
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	3	5	8
Symptoms and Ill-defined Conditions	6	7	13
Motor Vehicle Accidents	17	7	24
All Other Accidents	9	11	20
Suicide and Self-Inflicted Injuries	10	6	16
All Other External Causes	-	3	3
TOTALS	1,040	1,306	2,346

SOUTH WEST KENT JOINT HEALTH AREA

TABLE SHOWING CAUSES OF DEATH (all ages)
(Supplied by Registrar-General)

(2)

Cranbrook R.D.		Sevenoaks R.D.		Sevenoaks U.D.		Southborough U.D.		Tonbridge R.D.		Tonbridge U.D.		Tonbridge Wells Borough	
M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
6	11	8	18	4	7	3	2	3	10	4	6	10	31
-	2	3	2	-	2	3	2	2	4	1	-	3	7
4	7	23	33	10	15	3	4	9	15	13	10	29	46
2	-	6	7	2	3	8	1	10	4	14	2	25	5
-	-	1	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
3	1	-	6	-	1	-	-	2	1	3	-	3	2
1	1	1	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	3	-	1	6
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	1	-	1	2	-	1	1	-	1	1	3	3
-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1
1	-	2	3	-	1	-	1	1	2	-	3	1	4
-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-
-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	2	-
-	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	3	-	2	3	6
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1
-	2	3	2	-	-	-	-	3	1	-	2	1	1
1	1	4	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	2	4	-
-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	1	6	3
3	1	3	1	2	-	-	1	4	1	3	1	2	2
1	2	4	1	-	1	-	2	-	1	2	2	2	2
2	-	2	2	1	-	-	-	1	1	2	2	2	1
-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
78	121	220	226	75	127	52	68	153	159	164	158	298	447

CAUSES OF DEATH OF INFANTS UNDER ONE YEAR

CAUSE OF DEATH	Under 24 hours	1 day to 1 week	1-2 weeks	2-3 weeks	3-4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1-3 mths.	3-6 mths.	6-9 mths.	9-12 mths.	TOTAL
Congenital Anomalies	-	2	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	3
Enteritis & other Diarrhoeal Diseases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1
Bronchitis & Emphysema	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Other Causes of Perinatal Mortality	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
TOTALS	3	2	-	-	-	5	2	1	-	1	9

DEATHS FROM LUNG CANCER DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

YEAR	20 - 34 years		35 - 44 years		45 - 64 years		65 - 74 years		75 years and over		TOTAL	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
1961	-	-	-	-	7	2	3	-	-	-	10	2
1962	-	-	-	-	7	-	3	-	2	-	12	-
1963	-	-	-	-	1	2	8	2	3	1	12	5
1964	-	-	-	-	4	1	3	-	3	1	10	2
1965	-	-	-	-	4	2	4	2	2	-	10	4
1966	-	-	1	1	6	1	4	1	1	1	12	4
1967	1	-	1	1	4	2	7	4	4	2	17	9
1968	-	-	1	-	6	1	8	-	1	1	16	2
1969	-	-	1	-	7	2	8	-	-	-	16	2
1970	-	-	-	-	8	4	1	2	5	1	14	7
TOTALS	1	-	4	2	54	17	49	11	21	7	129	37

AGES OF CASES OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	Total Cases (all ages)	Under 1 Year	1 yr.	2 yrs.	3 yrs.	4 yrs.	5-9 yrs.	10-14 yrs.	15-24 yrs.	25-44 yrs.	45-64 yrs.	65 and over
Scarlet Fever	12	-	1	2	-	2	7	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	8	-	3	1	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	410	11	46	56	50	71	169	1	4	2	-	-
Meningitis	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Paratyphoid Fever	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Infective Jaundice	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Food Poisoning	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Tuberculosis Pulmonary	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Meninges & C.N.S	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
TOTALS	437	11	50	59	51	75	179	1	5	5	1	-

SEASONAL INCIDENCE OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

DISEASE	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTALS
Scarlet Fever	1	-	2	-	1	-	2	-	-	1	4	1	12
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	1	8
Measles	-	1	2	9	120	90	29	33	24	23	70	9	410
Meningitis	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Infective Jaundice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2
Tuberculosis Pulmonary	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Meninges & C.N.S.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Forms	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTALS	1	1	4	12	123	90	31	35	27	26	76	11	437

TUBERCULOSIS

Age Periods	NEW CASES				DEATHS			
	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 year	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 - 4 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34 years	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64 years	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
65 - 74 years	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-

TUBERCULOSIS - SUMMARY OF CASES

	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL
	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary	Non-Pulmonary	
Cases on register at beginning of year	98	15	64	15	192
Cases added	3	-	1	1	5
Cases removed	3	-	3	-	6
Cases remaining	98	15	62	16	191

NUMBER OF CASES AND DEATHS FROM TUBERCULOSIS DURING THE PAST TEN YEARS

Year	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary		Total Deaths
	No. of cases notified	Deaths	No. of cases notified	Deaths	
1961	9	3	1	-	3
1962	5	1	3	-	1
1963	4	-	-	-	-
*1964	6	1	1	-	1
1965	4	-	2	-	-
*1966	7	3	-	-	3
1967	6	1	1	-	1
*1968	2	-	2	-	-
1969	1	1	1	-	1
1970	1	-	1	-	-

* Denotes year Mass Radiography Unit visited the District

IMMUNISATION AND VACCINATION

The following table shows the figures for 1970 based on the return sent to the Department of Health and Social Security.

YEAR OF BIRTH	P R I M A R Y							R E I N F O R C I N G					
	Triple Antigen	Diphtheria Tetanus	Small-pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio myelitis	Rubella	Triple Antigen	Diphtheria Tetanus	Small-pox	Tetanus	Measles	Polio myelitis
1970	9	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1969	395	7	262	1	139	448	-	10	1	-	-	-	-
1968	102	2	-	-	175	168	-	72	37	-	-	-	-
1967	5	-	-	1	74	32	-	81	51	-	3	-	-
1966	2	2	-	-	70	20	-	9	34	-	6	-	24
1965	2	1	-	-	49	-	-	23	364	-	4	-	442
1963/64	-	-	-	2	41	-	-	7	95	-	6	-	122
1954/62	2	2	-	64	29	-	48	5	42	118	97	-	72
TOTAL	517	14	262	68	577	676	48	207	624	118	116	-	660

REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES
(Sections 187 to 194 of the Public Health Act, 1936
as amended by the Nursing Homes Act, 1963)

	Number of Homes	Number of beds provided for:		
		Maternity	Others	Total
Homes registered during year	-	-	-	-
Homes whose registrations were withdrawn during year	-	-	-	-
Homes on register at end of year	1	-	30	30

Visits of inspection, and special visits as required, are made to the above Nursing Home during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - Section 47

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1951

(Removal to suitable premises of persons in need of care and attention)

No action was necessary under these Enactments during the year.

Laboratory Service

The Public Health Laboratory Service, under the Directorship of Dr. A.L. Furniss, provided excellent facilities during the year for the examination of specimens and full co-operation with the staff was maintained. Valuable facilities are also available in the Pathological Departments of the following hospitals: Kent and Sussex, Pembury, Sevenoaks and Orpington.

Staff Medical Examinations

During the year sixteen medical examinations were carried out for the District for superannuation purposes, and six for drivers of Heavy Goods Vehicles.

International Vaccination Certificates

These are authenticated on request, in accordance with International agreements. In co-operation with the immigration authorities, persons arriving in this country from infected or suspected areas without valid certificates are kept under surveillance by the Health Department.

LOCAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT

provided by the Kent County Council

Ambulance Facilities

Enquiries relating to ambulance service matters and requests for ambulance transport are dealt with by the Kent County Council Ambulance Service from their station at 86a, Speldhurst Road, Southborough. Telephone Number Tunbridge Wells 23222.

Principal Welfare Officer

Mr.G.H.Foster,
Kent County Council District Office,
39, Grove Hill Road,
Tunbridge Wells. Tel. No. Tunbridge Wells 23342

Domiciliary Midwifery

The County Council arranges for the free attendance of midwives upon patients who are to be confined at home. The name and address of the appropriate midwife for any particular district is usually known to the patient's doctor, but can be obtained from the District Office of the County Council.

Home Nursing Service

The County Council provides a service free of charge for the attendance on persons whose doctors require them to be nursed in their own homes. The nurse's attendance is normally arranged by the doctor, but the name and address of the appropriate nurse for any particular district is obtainable from the District Office of the County Council.

Domestic Help Service

Domestic help service may be provided in households where it is needed owing to the presence of a person who is ill, lying-in, an expectant mother, mentally subnormal, aged or a child not over compulsory school age, but only where there is no able-bodied person in the household capable of carrying out the necessary household duties.

Area Domestic Help Organiser - Miss L.McEwan,
39, Grove Hill Road,
Tunbridge Wells
Tel.Tunbridge Wells 23342

District Domestic Help Organiser - Mrs.J.Gill,
Registrar of Births & Deaths Office,
Avebury Avenue,Tonbridge,
Tel.Tonbridge 2561.

Night and Evening Service

Evening service is provided for elderly people who are bedridden or housebound and have no one to assist them to prepare for the night and includes the provision of a light meal or hot drink and attention to fires. Night service is provided, for no longer than three weeks unless there are exceptional circumstances, for the care of seriously ill people who are living in their own homes and who need attention during the night. In some cases the service is provided for one to three nights a week to give relief to relatives.

Family Care Service

After consultation with the Children's Department, this service is provided for the short-term care of children in their own homes during the absence of the mother by reason of admission to hospital for illness or confinement or in other special circumstances. Help is given only to families where care of at least two children is involved and the period of service is limited to three months.

Family Welfare Service

This service is provided, with the parent's consent, in households where the habits, behaviour and standards of living of the family are much below those generally accepted in the society in which they live. The three main objectives of the service are to raise the standard of living of the families, to improve the welfare of the children, and to keep the families together and prevent their break-up. Intensive training for a period of three months is given and this is succeeded by a follow-on service for nine months. In families where there is medical evidence of mental subnormality the continuance of the service after the initial period of three months may be approved for not more than twelve hours a week until the youngest child reaches compulsory school age.

Health Visitors

Mrs.E. Garnett
Mrs.R.S. Jones
Mrs. Magowan

Miss M. Wilson
Mrs.E. Baughan
Miss C. Levey

Training Centre

Coldharbour Lane, Hildenborough.

Tel. Hildenborough 3028

Old People's Homes

Oakhurst, Hildenborough

Tel. Weald 310

Hardwick, Coldharbour Lane,
Hildenborough

Tel. Hildenborough 2092

Child Welfare Centres and Clinics

<u>Centre</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Day and Time</u>
Bidborough Village Hall	Child Welfare	2nd Mon. P.M.
Brenchley Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	2nd and 4th Fri. P.M.
Capel, Congregational Hall, Five Oak Green	Child Welfare	1st & 3rd Fri. P.M.
Hadlow Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Thurs. P.M.
Hildenborough Village Hall	Child Welfare	Tues. P.M.
Horsmonden Village Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Tues. P.M.
Lamberhurst Memorial Hall	Child Welfare	1st & 3rd Thurs. P.M.
Langton Green Watson Hall	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Fri. P.M.
Paddock Wood, St. Andrew's Church Hall	Child Welfare	Thurs. A.M. & P.M.
Paddock Wood Primary School	Dental	Tues. A.M. & P.M.
Pembury, Church Institute, Lower Green.	Child Welfare	2nd & 4th Thurs. P.M.

SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD

Hospitals

The Hospital Management Committees of the South-East Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board covering the hospitals in the Joint Health Area are set out below:-

Tunbridge Wells Hospital Management Committee:
Sherwood Park, Pembury Road, Tunbridge Wells
Tel. Tunbridge Wells 23444

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Pembury Hospital
Kent and Sussex Hospital
The Homoeopathic Hospital
Tonbridge Cottage Hospital
Tunbridge Wells Maternity Hospital
Hawkenbury Hospital
Edenbridge and District Memorial Hospital
David Salomons House, Southborough
Hawkhurst Cottage Hospital

Cray Valley and Sevenoaks Hospital Management Committee:
Orpington Hospital, Orpington.
Tel. Orpington 27050

Hospitals covered in the Joint Health Area -

Sevenoaks Hospital
Emily Jackson Wing of Sevenoaks Hospital
Sundridge Hospital

Chest Clinics

<u>Address</u>	<u>Days</u>	<u>Times</u>
Baltic Road, Tonbridge	Monday	2 P.M. to 4 P.M.
Pembury Hospital, Pembury	Wednesday	2 P.M. to 4 P.M.
Kent & Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Friday	All day
Sevenoaks Chest Clinic, Outpatients Department, Sevenoaks Hospital	Wednesday	Morning

Clinic for Treatment of Venereal Diseases

Kent and Sussex Hospital, Tunbridge Wells	Tuesday (females)	10 a.m. to 11 a.m.
	Tuesday (males)	11 a.m. to 12 noon

TONBRIDGE RURAL DISTRICT
SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE DISTRICT

1. Water Supply

The position with regard to water supplies in the district remained unchanged from previous years i.e. the majority of premises being served by mains of the Mid-Kent Water Company and the remainder being supplied by the Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company, the Tunbridge Wells Water Undertaking and the Mid-Sussex Water Company.

In addition a small number of premises received mains supplies from private sources.

Supplies during the year were sufficient and the quality generally satisfactory. The trouble in the village of Tudeley caused by the depositing of rust from the mains of the private Somerhill Estate supply was cleared up during the year. Periodical flushing of the mains was carried out and this proved successful in reducing the iron content.

In addition to the routine testing carried out by the Water Undertakers, all supplies were periodically sampled during the year.

Examination reports on water samples taken during the year were as follows:-

	Bacteriological Examination			Chemical Examination		
	No. of Samples	Satisfactory	Not Satisfactory	No. of Samples	Satisfactory	Not Satisfactory
Statutory supply undertakings	10	10	-	-	-	-
Private sources piped to dwellings	2	2	-	5	4	1
Other private sources	2	2	-	1	1	-

Other than the action taken to reduce the iron content in the private supply at Tudeley there was no other form of contamination noted in the district and no action was therefore necessary.

At the end of 1970, 99% + of the houses within the District were receiving piped water supply.

During the year the following main extensions were carried out:-

The Sevenoaks and Tonbridge Water Company

A total of 4,202 yards of mains extensions were carried out within the Company's Statutory Area.

The Mid Kent Water Company

The Company laid 6,143 yards of mains during the year, and now supply 6,189 properties in the District.

The Tunbridge Wells Water Undertaking

There have been no important extensions of mains carried out in the District during 1970.

2. Drainage and Sewerage

Mr.G.L. Plastow, the Engineer and Surveyor, has kindly supplied the undermentioned information:-

Works carried out during 1970

(a) Matfield, Brenchley and Horsmonden Regional Scheme

Work commenced in June on a scheme for the sewerage of Matfield, Petteridge, Castle Hill, Brenchley and Horsmonden to one sewage treatment works at Grovehurst Farm, Horsmonden. Sewage from Marden in Maidstone Rural District Council's area, and Curtisden Green in Cranbrook Rural District Council's area will also be pumped to these works for treatment. The treatment works are scheduled for completion in 1971 and the connecting sewers by mid-1972. This scheme will provide drainage to almost 200 existing houses at present served by cesspool or septic tank, as well as eliminating existing overloaded sewage treatment plants in the above villages.

(b) Hildenborough

The second stage of the Hildenborough sewage scheme was completed which provided for the pumping of sewage from the Powder Mills area of Hildenborough to the Council's pumping station at Hilden Park Road and thence to Tonbridge Urban District Council's works for treatment. Sewage is also received into this pumping station from the Old Powder Mills area of Sevenoaks Rural District Council. It is hoped to complete stage III of the scheme for sewage from the upper area of Hildenborough to Tonbridge Urban District Council during 1971/1972.

(c) Pembury

A sewer was laid in Tonbridge Road Pembury to connect the new Rural District Council offices and nine other properties to the public sewer.

(d) Horsmonden

The sewer in Lamberhurst Road, Horsmonden was extended to serve the Council's Springfield Cottages to eliminate the overloaded sewage treatment works serving these. This extension provided main drainage for a total of 15 properties.

(e) Sewer Survey

A detailed sewer survey was commissioned by the Council of foul and surface water sewers at Hadlow and it is proposed to extend this survey to other villages in future years.

(f) Work carried out by Private Developers

The Council have also supervised the construction of, and have adopted, soil and surface water sewers laid by private developers to serve new private estates within the District.

(g) Future Programme

(i) Hadlow

Drawings have been completed for the provision of a new sewage treatment works at Hadlow and it is hoped to commence work in 1971. Sewerage of Barnes Street and Golden Green will be carried out once this scheme is under way.

(ii) Ashurst (Speldhurst Parish)

Agreement was reached with Uckfield Rural District Council to pump sewage from the overloaded plant at Ashurst to the sewage works being built at Blackham.

(iii) Blowers Hill, Speldhurst

It is hoped to complete the sewerage of Blowers Hill area of Speldhurst during 1971 by connecting houses to the sewers already laid and by extending these to serve other properties in close proximity.

(iv) Paddock Wood

Ministry approval has been received and an order placed for the purchase of a sludge vacuum disc filter for use at Paddock Wood treatment works. This machine is due to be delivered early in 1971 and will enable sludge drying to be carried out throughout the year. The machine is trailer mounted to be available for use at other works if required.

Cesspool Emptying

The Council has continued to provide a free emptying service to properties in the district, at least four free emptyings being given. Two larger vehicles have been purchased to meet an increasing demand on this service.

3. Refuse Collection and Disposal

A weekly collection service has been maintained throughout the District. Additional refuse has been collected from domestic premises on request without charge. In an attempt to further discourage litter, a bin container has been provided for the Parish of Pembury and is moved on a regular cycle to selected sites in the village.

One new collection vehicle was purchased in the year.

Disposal continued by controlled tipping at various sites, mainly in Horsmonden. Some pollution has occurred in nearby watercourses, requiring remedial action to be taken.

4. Swimming Pools

Number of public swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Number of school swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Number of private swimming pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Number of visits made during the year	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
Number of samples taken:							
Satisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	...	1

The public swimming pool was maintained and operated in a satisfactory manner throughout the season though some difficulty was experienced with the alkalinity of the water. This however was overcome by the addition of suitable chemicals.

5. Inspection of the District

Number of complaints received and investigated	...	...	...	...	...	424
Total number of visits of all kinds paid by Inspectors during the year	...	...	...	...	...	3,847
Informal Notices:						
Served during the year	...	...	...	...	...	166
Complied with during the year	...	...	...	...	...	129
Statutory Notices:						
Served during the year	...	...	...	...	...	7
Complied with during the year	...	...	...	...	...
(a) by owners	...	...	...	...	...	6
(b) by Local Authority in default...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Legal proceedings taken during the year	...	...	...	...	...	1

Proceedings taken against a firm of milk retailers for supplying a bottle of milk containing a foreign body to a Primary School.
Fine £50 and £10 costs.

Summary of Inspections and Visits by Public Health Inspectors during the year:

Housing	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,007
Nuisances, etc. (not included under Housing)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	296
Visits to Food Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	359
Visits re Food Complaints	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	28
Swimming Pools	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30
Factories Act, 1961	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	119
Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	96
Shops Act, 1950/65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	286
Petroleum Act	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	55
Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	20
Agriculture (Safety, Health & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Pet Animals Act, 1951	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Hop Pickers' Camps	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	58
Caravan Sites	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	122
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9
Noise Abatement	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13
Infectious Disease Visits	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	44
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	955
Water Supply	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	95
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	213

6. Hop Pickers' Camps

Number of camps in the District	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Approx. 32 partly occupied camps.
Number of huts in the District	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Approx. 2,000
Total estimated number of persons engaged in hop-picking (excluding home pickers)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,500
Number of inspections of hop pickers' camps during 1970	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	58

Picking commenced at the majority of farms at the beginning of September and was completed by the end of the month, most of the harvesting being done by machine and very little hand picking carried out.

It was observed at some farms that workers employed on machines were not provided with suitable and sufficient sanitary facilities. As it was not possible to invoke the present hop-picking byelaws it was decided to circularise all growers, calling their attention to their responsibilities under the Agriculture (Safety, Health & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956. The Act makes it obligatory on occupiers of farms to provide such facilities.

Visits of inspection were made to the camps to ensure compliance with byelaws, and conditions generally were found to be satisfactory.

7. Disinfestation

The following infestations were dealt with:-

Beetles 1: Brown House Moth 1: Sleepy Carpenter Bees 2:
 Wasps 102: Silverfish 4: Devils Coach Horse Beetles 1:
 Ants 40: Cockroaches 2: Spiders 1: Fleas 3:
 Mason Bees 2: Bird Parasites 1: Flies 12: Dirty House 3:
 Carpet Beetles 4: Bees 8: Cluster Flies 3: Bed Bugs 1:
 Moles 6: Clover Mites 2:

8. Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949

PROPERTIES OTHER THAN SEWERS

	TYPE OF PROPERTY	
	NON- AGRICULTURAL	AGRICULTURAL
1. Number of properties in District	11,450	549
2. (a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	424	2
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	323	2
(ii) Mice	101	-
3. (a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	140	63
(b) Number infested by (i) Rats	126	60
(ii) Mice	14	3

SEWERS

Sewer treatment was carried out during the year but no infestations were found.

The use of Racumin 57 has proved to be very successful in the control of the warfarin resistant rats in the district. Warfarin resistance in mice has now become fairly general in the district.

The Council have annual contracts for the treatment of a number of business and agricultural premises. The value of these contracts amounted to £297-50 in 1970

9. Rag, Flock & Other Filling Materials Act, 1951

Number of registered premises	Nil
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10. Diseases of Animals (Waste Food) Order, 1957

Number of licensed premises	8
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Number of inspections made during the year	20
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11. Agriculture (Safety, Health & Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956

Number of inspections made	23
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12. Pet Animals Act, 1951

Number of premises licensed	Nil
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13. Animal Boarding Establishments Act, 1963

Number of premises licensed	7
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Number of visits made	12
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14. Scrap Metal Dealers Act, 1964

Number of dealers registered	10
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15. Clean Air Act, 1956

Investigations were confined to garden bonfires causing nuisance to neighbours.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Part I of the Act

1. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	6	7	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	83	84	12	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding outworkers' premises)	16	16	2	-
TOTAL	105	107	14	-

2. Cases in which Defects were found

Particulars	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness	4	4	-	-	-
Overcrowding	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors	2	2	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences					
(a) Insufficient	1	1	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	8	6	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	2	2	-	-	-
TOTAL	17	15	-	-	-

PART VIII OF THE ACT
OUTWORK
(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of work	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of outworkers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises	Notices Served	Prosecutions
<u>Wearing Apparel</u> Making, etc.,	1	-	-	-	-	-

OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(A) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year
Offices	2	29	4
Retail Shops	10	95	42
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	3	8	4
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	-	12	14
Fuel storage depots	-	3	-
TOTALS	15	147	64

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act 88

(B) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Contravention	No. found	Section	Contravention	No. found
4	Cleanliness	2	13	Sitting Facilities	-
5	Overcrowding	-	14	Seats (sedentary workers)	-
6	Temperature	-	15	Eating facilities	-
7	Ventilation	-	16	Floors, passages & stairs	1
8	Lighting	-	17	Fencing exposed parts of machinery	-
9	Sanitary Conveniences	-	18	Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery	-
10	Washing facilities	1	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	-
11	Supply of drinking water	-	23	Prohibition of heavy work	-
12	Clothing accomodation	2	24	First Aid General Provisions	4
				TOTAL	10

With the exception of the contravention under Section 10, the contraventions noted were generally remedied within the period. Work to remedy the lack of washing facilities was in hand at the end of the period.

(C) Exemptions

Number of applications received Nil
Number of applications granted Nil

(D) Prosecutions

Number instituted and completed during the year Nil

(E) Reported Accidents

Number received during the year Nil

HOUSING

(A) Repair - Housing and Public Health Acts

Number of houses rendered fit after service of notice:

	Sections 9, 10 and 16 Housing Act, 1957		Public Health and similar Local Acts		Totals	
	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal
(a) By Owner	-	-	119	6	119	6
(b) By Local Authority	-	-	-	-	-	-

(B) Beyond Repair - Housing Act, 1957

Number of (i)	Undertakings accepted (Section 16)	...	...	...	5
(ii)	Closing Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	...	4
(iii)	Demolition Orders made (Section 17)	...	...	...	2
(iv)	Closing Orders made (Section 18)	...	...	...	-
(v)	Closing Orders determined (Section 27)	...	...	...	7
(vi)	Closing Orders revoked and Demolition Orders substituted (Section 28)	...	...	...	9
(vii)	Houses demolished following Demolition Orders	...	...	...	6
(viii)	Houses repaired under Section 24 after Demolition Order	...	...	...	-

(C) Clearance Areas

(1)	Represented during the year	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(2)	Action taken during the year	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
(3)	Purchase of houses by agreement	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

(D) Improvement Grants

(1) Discretionary

	<u>Owner/Occupiers</u>	<u>Tenanted</u>
(i) Number of applications received	15	13
(ii) Number of applications approved	14	13
(iii) Number of applications refused	1	-
(iv) Number of dwellings improved	4	5
		£.
(v) Amount paid in grants		5,499 - 00
(vi) Average grant per house		611 - 00

(2) Standard

	<u>Owner/Occupiers</u>	<u>Tenanted</u>
(i) Number of applications received	15	24
(ii) Number of applications approved	15	24
(iii) Number of applications refused	-	-
(iv) Number of dwellings improved	11	14
		£.
(v) Amount paid in grants		5,487 - 00
(vi) Average grant per house		219 - 00
(vii) Amenities provided		
(a) fixed bath or shower		24
(b) wash hand basin		25
(c) hot water supply (to any fittings)		25
(d) water closet (1) within dwelling		21
(2) accessible from dwelling		-
(e) sink		2

(3) Special Grants (Multiple Occupied Premises)

Number of applications received Nil

(E) Housing Act, 1969

(1) General Improvement Areas

Number of areas	(a)	Surveyed	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil
	(b)	Declared	...	...	...	...	...	...	Nil

(2) Qualification Certificates

(a) Cases where Improvements Required

(i)	Number of applications for Qualification Certificates - Section 44 (2)	...	...	...	...	...	14
(ii)	Number of Certificates of Provisional Approval issued	...	...	...	...	...	14
(iii)	Number of Qualification Certificates issued - Section 46 (3)	...	...	...	...	...	4

(b) Standard Amenities already Provided

(i)	Number of applications for Qualification Certificates - Section 44 (1)	...	...	...	...	...	17
(ii)	Number of Qualification Certificates issued - Section 45 (2)	...	...	...	...	...	12

(F) Improvement Areas - Housing Act, 1964

(1)	Number of dwellings improved	Nil
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(2) Dwellings outside improvement area

(i)	Number of representations made by tenants	1
(ii)	Number of preliminary notices served	...	...	...	...	...	1
(iii)	Number of undertakings accepted	...	...	...	...	...	1
(iv)	Number of immediate improvement notices served	...	...	...	...	...	-
(v)	Number of such dwellings improved						
	(a) full standard	...	...	...	...	...	1
	(b) reduced standard	...	...	...	...	...	-

(G) Houses in Multiple Occupation

No houses falling into this category were inspected during the year.

Caravans (as at 31st December, 1970)

Number of site licences issued...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Total number of caravans permitted on licensed sites	...	...	...	...	...	59
Number of sites licensed for Movable Dwellings (other than caravans)	...	...	...	...	...	1 *
Number of caravans on unlicensed sites	...	...	...	...	...	15

* This site is located at Castle Fields, Ashurst. Six portable buildings are in use as temporary accommodation by anglers at weekends between 1st April to 1st October

Common Lodging Houses

Number registered in the District Nil

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

1. Milk Supplies

Number of registered distributors 83

Number of registered dairies - Wholesale -

Retail -

Milk Sampling

	Number of Samples Taken	Number of Unsatisfactory Samples
Untreated	5	-
Pasteurised	-	-
Sterilised	-	-

2. Ice Cream

Number of premises registered (a) for the manufacture of ice cream ... Nil

(b) for the sale of ice cream 131

Results of samples taken:

Grade 1 50

Grade 2 4

3. Premises registered for the Manufacture of Preserved Foods

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Number on Register</u>
Manufacture of Cooked Meats	18
Manufacture of Sausages	19

4. Slaughterhouses

Number in District 3

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED

	Cattle excluding cows	Cows	Calves	Sheep and Lambs	Pigs	Horses
Number killed	1,847	342	306	59,906	38,238	-
Number Inspected	1,847	342	306	59,906	38,238	-
<u>All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	1	-	4	22	53	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	236	-	3	3,532	6,151	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	12.83	-	2.29	5.93	16.22	-
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>						
Whole carcasses condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	-	15	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	0.04	-
<u>Cysticercosis</u>						
Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned	-	-	-	5	1	-
Carcasses submitted to treatment by refrigeration	3	-	2	5	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned	-	-	-	-	-	-

As in 1969 only two of the three private slaughterhouses licensed in the district continued to operate. 100% inspection of all carcasses was maintained during the year.

As will be seen in the table, the number of all types of animals slaughtered increased considerably during the year. The increase in throughput was due to the introduction of modern techniques and the employment of more slaughtermen at the Lamberhurst premises.

Number of slaughtermen's licences renewed during the year 6

Number of new licences issued during the year 2

5. Food Premises subject to The Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960

CATEGORY OF TRADE	Number in District	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 16 (wash basins)	Number to which Reg. 19 applies (provision of sinks etc.)	Number fitted to comply with Reg. 19
Cafes, restaurants, canteens	40	40	40	40
Bakehouses	4	4	4	4
Butchers	18	18	18	18
Grocers and Provision Merchants	73	73	73	73
Confectioners	13	13	13	13
Licensed Premises	59	59	59	59
Fishmongers and Fried Fish Shops	2	2	2	2
Greengrocers and Fruiterers	12	12	12	12
Food Stalls and Vehicles	2	2	2	2

One supermarket is in the process of being enlarged to provide adequate storage, preparation and staff facilities.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955

Details of samples taken by the County Sampling Officers within the Tonbridge Rural District during the year ended 31st December, 1970

	<u>Satis-</u> <u>factory</u>	<u>Unsatis-</u> <u>factory</u>
Milk	29	4
Butter, margarine, lard, cooking fats, cheese, (including processed cheese)	4	-
Tinned meats, meat, fish, fish and meat pastes ...	3	1
Sugar, sugar confectionery, flour confectionery, chocolate products, cereals	18	-
Tea, coffee, cocoa, beverages, minerals, cordials...	5	-
Jams, preserves, honey, jellies... ..	3	-
Dried fruit, raw fruit, vegetables, tinned fruit and vegetables	4	-
Pickles, sauces, vinegar, condiments	16	-
Drugs, medicines	8	-
Beer, wines, spirits	6	-
Miscellaneous	5	-
	<u>101</u>	<u>5</u>
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UNSATISFACTORY SAMPLES

Untreated Milk (4 samples)

Added Sucrose in amounts ranging from 0.80% to 1.10%. Proceedings withdrawn by agreement. Further samples to be taken

Corned Beef

Contained a piece of animal hide. Manufacturers contacted.

7. Poultry Inspection

Number of poultry processing premises within the District Nil

8. Unsound Food

Food condemned during the year as unfit for human consumption:

	Tons	Cwts.	Qrs.	lbs.	ozs.
Meat	18	15	1	7	3
Tinned Food	-	-	3	12	5
Other Food	186	2	3	12	2

All meat condemned at the slaughterhouse is collected by authorised persons and is processed into animal feeding stuffs and fertilizers. All other food-stuffs condemned are taken to the Council's refuse dump for burial.

9. Food Poisoning

Two cases of food poisoning were notified during the year. The infection in one case was due to Salmonella Panama, and the causative organism in the other case was Salmonella Typhi-murium.

